

ISIS0003-100 (ISPH-0522)**PATENT****In the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Please cancel claims 1, 5-18 and 20-52.

Please amend claims 2-4.

Status of Claims

1. **(Canceled)**
2. **(Currently Amended)** An isolated human RNase III polypeptide which cleaves double-stranded RNA, said polypeptide comprising ~~which comprises~~ an amino acid sequence which is at least 90% homologous to SEQ ID NO: 2.
3. **(Currently Amended)** ~~The~~ An isolated human RNase III polypeptide of ~~claim 1 or 2~~ which cleaves double-stranded RNA, said polypeptide comprising ~~which comprises~~ the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.
4. **(Currently Amended)** A composition which comprises a human RNase III polypeptide which cleaves double-stranded RNA, said polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence which is at least 90% homologous to SEQ ID NO:2, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 5 - 18. **(Canceled)**
19. **(Original)** The composition of claim 4 further comprising an antisense oligonucleotide.
- 20 - 52. **(Canceled)**